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My dear Admiral Millenkootters

Following conferences suong consultants of the Mational Military Establishment, the Mational Requirty Resources Board and the Majorament of State, looking to the implementation of Military in have proposed to the Secretary of Defense that the planning and coordination work, and the full-time staffs, pre-vided for under MSC-4 and MSC-43 be combined.

I have suggested that the bombined staffs consist of representatives of the Departments of State, Army, Mavy, Air Force and the Central Intelligence Agency, this having proved an effective composition under MSC-4. In addition, I have requested that a full-time representative of the Office of the Secretary of Defence be detailed to the staff.

MSC-43 provides only for "limison representatives" of the Central Intelligence Agency and the Mational Security Resources Board on the MSC-43 staff. Inasmuch as the Central Intelligence Agency representative on the MSC-4 staff is, however, assigned as a fall-time bears, it would be appreciated if your Agency sould continue to provide full-time representation on the combined staff. Experience will show there further CLA parameters in required beyond the one representative presently.

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The attached letters, for the Storetary's signature, to the Secretary of Defense and the Director of Central Intelligence, proposes that the two staffs responsible for carrying out NSC-43 (psychological warfare planning) and NSC-4 (coordination of current information activities) be combined into a single staff within the Department of State.

The proposal has been discussed by Mr. Allen with the consultants representing the other interested departments under NSC-43 and has their full approval. The matter also has been cleared informally with the Executive Secretary of the National Security Council.

Er. Acheson's signature is required because the Secretary of State is directly charged with responsibility for establishing this organization.

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